



## Recreation Scholarship Guidelines

DSACO's Recreation Scholarship program provides financial assistance to individuals with Down syndrome to participate in recreational activities. These activities might include but are not limited to organized sports, summer camps, exercise classes, gymnastics and dance lessons. The program does not fund prescribed therapies such as physical therapy sessions; however, adaptive recreational equipment will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**Eligibility** –Any individual with Down syndrome residing in the DSACO service area: Athens, Coshocton, Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Gallia, Hocking, Jackson, Knox, Lawrence, Licking, Madison, Marion, Meigs, Morgan, Morrow, Muskingum, Perry, Pickaway, Union, Ross and Vinton counties. The program must take place in the DSACO service area.

In matters where support of a family membership is requested such as aquatic facility membership, no more than 50% of the request will be considered.

**Submission Process**— Mail the completed Recreation Scholarship application along with the receipt of payment within 30 days of completion of the program to:

DSACO  
510 East North Broadway  
Columbus, OH 43214

\*Applications submitted without the receipt of payment will be considered incomplete and will not be processed.

**Annual Maximum** – The maximum scholarship per individual per fiscal year is \$200.00. DSACO's fiscal year begins January 1 and ends on December 31. The program is based on a first come, first serve basis.

**Awarding Funds** - Once an application is approved, you will receive a check via U.S. mail. If the application is denied, a brief explanation will be included in the written notification.

**Denied Requests** - Requests will be denied for the following reasons:

- ★ Requestor has already been awarded the annual maximum of \$200
- ★ More than 30 days have lapsed since the completion of the program
- ★ Event is not classified as a recreational activity
- ★ Activity is a prescribed therapy session
- ★ Program takes place outside the DSACO service area
- ★ Recreation Scholarship funds have been exhausted for the current fiscal year

Please contact DSACO at (614) 263-6020 if you have questions.